

Local Form 4 (Chapter 13 Plan)

September 2021

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION

IN RE:
Matthew J. Lawrence
TIN: xxx-xx-1751

Case No.
Chapter 13

Debtor(s)

Chapter 13 Plan - Local Plan for the Western District of North Carolina

The following is the Chapter 13 plan proposed by the above-named debtor or debtors ("Debtor").

Part 1: Notices: To Creditors and Other Parties in Interest

Your rights may be affected by this plan. Your claim may be reduced, modified, or eliminated.

You should read this plan carefully and discuss it with your attorney if you have one in this bankruptcy case. If you do not have an attorney, you may wish to consult one. *This is a local plan with changes from the national plan. Please review carefully and, specifically, refer to Part 8 for nonstandard provisions.*

If you do not want the Court to confirm the Debtor's proposed plan, or if you want the Court to consider your views on these matters, then you and/or your attorney must file a written objection to confirmation and request for hearing on confirmation at one of the following addresses:

Cases filed in the Charlotte or Shelby Divisions:

Physical & Mailing Address: Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, 401 West Trade Street, Suite 2500, Charlotte, N.C. 28202

Cases filed in the Statesville Division:

Physical Address: Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, 200 West Broad Street, Room 301, Statesville, N.C. 28677

Mailing Address: Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, 401 West Trade Street, Suite 2500, Charlotte, N.C. 28202

Cases filed in the Asheville or Bryson City Divisions:

Physical & Mailing Address: Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, 100 Otis Street, Room 112, Asheville, N.C. 28801-2611

Your objection to confirmation and request for hearing must include the specific reasons for your objection and must be filed with the court no later than 21 days following the conclusion of the § 341 meeting of creditors. If you mail your objection to confirmation to the court for filing, you must mail it early enough so that the court will receive it on or before the deadline stated above. You must also serve a copy of your objection to confirmation on the Debtor at the address listed in the Notice of Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Case. The attorney for the Debtor and the Chapter 13 trustee will be served electronically. If any objections to confirmation are filed with the court, the objecting party must provide written notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing on the objection. No hearing will be held unless an objection to confirmation is filed. If you or your attorney do not take these steps, the court may decide that you do not oppose the proposed plan of the Debtor and may enter an order confirming the plan.

The following matters may be of particular importance. *The Debtor must check one box on each line to state whether or not the plan includes each of the following items. If an item is checked as "Not Included" or if both boxes are checked, the provision will be ineffective if set out later in the plan.*

1.1	A limit on the amount of a secured claim that may result in a partial payment or no payment at all to the secured creditor (Part 3.2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Included	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Included
1.2	Avoidance of a judicial lien or nonpossessory, nonpurchase-money security interest (Part 3.4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Included	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Included
1.3	Request for termination of the 11 U.S.C. § 362 stay as to surrendered collateral (Part 3.5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Included	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Included
1.4	Request for assumption of executory contracts and/or unexpired leases (Part 6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Included	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Included
1.5	Nonstandard provisions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Included	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Included

Part 2: Plan Payments and Length of Plan

2.1 Debtor will make regular payments to the Chapter 13 Trustee as follows:

\$500.00 per month for a 1 percent Plan

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2.2 Regular payments to the Chapter 13 Trustee will be made from future income in the following manner:

Check all that apply:

- ☒ Debtor will make payments directly to the Chapter 13 Trustee.
☐ Debtor will make payments pursuant to a payroll deduction order.
☐ Other (specify method of payment): _____

2.3 Additional payments.

Check one.

- ☒ **None.** *If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 2.3 need not be completed or reproduced.*

Part 3: Treatment of Secured Claims

3.1 Maintenance of payments and cure of default, if any. Conduit mortgage payments, if any, are included here.

Check one.

- ☒ **None.** *If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 3.1 need not be completed or reproduced.*
☐ Installment payments on each of the claims listed below will be maintained by the trustee, Debtor, or other, as indicated, and any arrearage will be paid in full. Amounts stated on a timely filed proof of claim will be presumed to control over any contrary amounts listed below for the installment payment and the arrearage.

If the plan provides for payment of the current installment payments by the trustee, then the trustee shall include for payment under the Debtor's plan an allowed Administrative Arrearage claim equal to three (3) post-petition mortgage payments (unless otherwise stated).

The trustee will adjust the installment payment in accordance with any Notice of Mortgage Payment Change filed under Bankruptcy Rule 3002.1. The trustee is authorized to pay any post-petition fee, expense, or charge for which notice is filed under Bankruptcy Rule 3002.1 if no objection is filed to such fee, expense, or charge.

If relief from the automatic stay is ordered as to any item of collateral listed in this part, then, unless otherwise ordered by the court, all payments under this part as to that collateral will cease, and all secured claims based on that collateral will no longer be treated by the plan.

If the Debtor elects to participate in the Loan Modification Management Program for a particular claim, it shall be indicated below. If so indicated, the Special Terms set forth in Part 8.1.15 shall apply.

Name of creditor	Collateral	Value of Collateral	Current installment payment (including escrow)	Estimated amount of prepetition arrearage (if any)	LMM election (Y/ N)
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Disbursed by:

- ☐ Trustee
☐ Debtor(s)
☐ Other

Explain in detail the basis for proposing any deviations from this district's standard procedure for the disbursement of Conduit Mortgage Payments pursuant to Local Rule 3003-1. This information must be included in this part, but it may also be cross-referenced to Part 8.1.17 and may require a separate motion.

Include only the amounts of pre-petition arrearages in this part. The trustee will adjust the total arrearage claim to be provided for by the plan by adding the Administrative Arrearage pursuant to Local Rule 3003-1.

Insert additional claims as needed.

3.2 Request for valuation of security, payment of fully secured claims, and modification of undersecured claims.

Check one.

- ☒ **None.** *If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 3.2 need not be completed or reproduced.*

3.3 Secured claims excluded from 11 U.S.C. § 506.

Check one.

- ☒ **None.** *If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 3.3 need not be completed or reproduced.*

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3.4 Lien avoidance.

Check one.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 3.4 need not be completed or reproduced.

3.5 Surrender of collateral.

Check one.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 3.5 need not be completed or reproduced.

Part 4: Treatment of Fees and Priority Claims

4.1 General

The Chapter 13 trustee's fees and all allowed priority claims, including domestic support obligations other than those treated in Part 4.5 below, will be paid in full without post-petition interest. Payments on all fees and priority claims, other than domestic support obligations, will be disbursed by the Chapter 13 trustee, rather than the Debtor directly.

Payments on all domestic support obligations listed in Parts 4.4 and 4.5 below will be disbursed by the Debtor directly, rather than by the Chapter 13 Trustee, unless otherwise specifically provided in Part 8 of the plan. This provision includes all regular post-petition payments, as well as any pre-petition or post-petition payment arrearages that may exist.

4.2 Chapter 13 Trustee's fees

The Chapter 13 Trustee's fees are governed by statute and may change during the course of the case.

4.3 Debtor's Attorney's fees.

- (a) The total base attorney's fee is **\$5,000.00**.
 (b) The balance of the base fee owed to the attorney is **\$5,000.00**.

4.4 Priority claims other than attorney's fees and those treated in Part 4.5.

Check all that apply.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 4.4 need not be completed or reproduced.

4.5 Domestic support obligations assigned or owed to a governmental unit and paid less than full amount.

Check one.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 4.5 need not be completed or reproduced.

Part 5: Treatment of Nonpriority Unsecured Claims

5.1 Nonpriority unsecured claims not separately classified.

Allowed nonpriority unsecured claims that are not separately classified will be paid pro rata by the Chapter 13 trustee. If more than one option is checked, the option providing the largest pro rata payment will be effective.

☐ The funds remaining after disbursements have been made to all other creditors provided for in this plan, for an estimated payout of **0.00** % (This is a base plan.)

OR

☒ Payment of a 1% composition as set forth in Part 2 of the plan. (This is a percentage plan.)

5.2 Maintenance of payments and cure of any default on nonpriority unsecured claims.

Check one.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 5.2 need not be completed or reproduced.

☐ The Debtor will maintain the contractual installment payments and cure any default in payments on the unsecured claims listed below on which the last payment is due after the final plan payment to the Chapter 13 Trustee. These payments will be disbursed either by the Chapter 13 Trustee, directly by the Debtor, or as otherwise specified below. The principal amount of the claim for the arrearage amount will be paid in full.

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Name of creditor	Current installment payment	Amount of arrearage
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Please explain any disbursements to be made by someone other than the Chapter 13 Trustee or the Debtor:

Insert additional claims as needed.

5.3 Other separately classified nonpriority unsecured claims.

Check one.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 5.3 need not be completed or reproduced.

Part 6: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

6.1 The executory contracts and unexpired leases listed below are assumed and will be treated as specified. All other executory contracts and unexpired leases are rejected.

Check one.

☒ None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Part 6.1 need not be completed or reproduced.

Part 7: Vesting of Property of the Estate

7.1 Property of the estate includes all of the property specified in 11 U.S.C. § 541 and all property of the kind specified in 11 U.S.C. § 1306 acquired by the Debtor after commencement of the case but before the case is closed, dismissed, or converted to one under another chapter of the Code. All property of the Debtor remains vested in the estate and will vest in the Debtor upon entry of the final decree.

Part 8: Nonstandard Plan Provisions

8.1 Nonstandard Plan Provisions

A nonstandard provision is a provision not otherwise included in Official Form B 113 or one deviating from it. Nonstandard provisions set out elsewhere in this local plan are adopted in Part 8.

The remainder of this part will be effective only if the applicable box in Part 1 of this Plan is checked.

8.1.1 Insurance information for all secured claims (real property or motor vehicles):

Collateral	Insurance Agent and Address	Vehicle Mileage	VIN
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NONE

Insert additional insurance information as needed.

8.1.2 To receive payment from the Chapter 13 trustee, either prior to or following confirmation, both secured and unsecured creditors must file proofs of their claims. Secured claims that are not timely filed may be disallowed or subordinated to other claims upon further order of the court.

8.1.3 Confirmation of the plan does not bar a party in interest at any time from objecting to a proof of claim for good cause shown.

8.1.4 Unless otherwise specifically ordered, any creditor holding a claim secured by property which is removed from the protection of the automatic stay, whether by judicial action, voluntary surrender, or through operation of the plan, will receive no further distribution from the Chapter 13 trustee unless an itemized proof of claim for any unsecured deficiency balance is filed within 120 days (or 180 days if the property is real estate or manufactured housing), or such other period as the court orders, after the removal of the property from the protection of the automatic stay. The removal date shall be the date of the entry of an order confirming the plan, modifying the plan, or granting relief from stay. This provision also applies to other creditors who may claim an interest in, or a lien upon, property that is removed from the protection of the automatic stay or surrendered to another lien holder.

8.1.5 If a claim is listed in the plan as secured and the creditor files a proof of claim as an unsecured creditor, the creditor shall be treated as unsecured for purposes of distribution and for any other purpose under the plan and the debt shall be subject to discharge.

8.1.6 For purposes of distribution, an "Administrative Arrearage" as defined by Local Rule 3003-1 will be included as a separate arrearage claim for payment by the Chapter 13 trustee or added to any pre-petition arrearage claim.

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- 8.1.7 The Debtor shall notify the Chapter 13 trustee of any substantial acquisitions of property or significant changes in net monthly income that may occur during the pendency of the case and shall amend the appropriate schedules previously filed in the case accordingly.
- 8.1.8 Confirmation of the plan shall impose a duty on Conduit Creditors and/or mortgage servicers of such creditors, with respect to application of mortgage and mortgage-related payments, to comply with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 524(i), Local Rule 3003-1, and Local Rule 4001-1(e) relating to Arrearages, Administrative Arrearages, Mortgage Payments, and Conduit Mortgage Payments. The terms of Local Rule 3003-1 are specifically incorporated herein by reference as if completely set forth with respect to the acceptance and application of all funds pursuant to the Conduit Mortgage Payment Rule. As a result, all Conduit Creditors and/or servicers for Conduit Creditors shall have an affirmative duty to do the following upon confirmation of the plan:
- (a) Properly apply all post-petition payments received from the Chapter 13 trustee and designated to the pre-petition arrearage claim and the administrative arrearage claim only to such claims;
 - (b) Properly apply all post-petition payments received from the Chapter 13 trustee and designated as Conduit Mortgage Payments beginning with the calendar month and year designated for such payment by the court in the Order Confirming Plan;
 - (c) Properly apply all post-petition payments received directly from the Debtor in a non-conduit mortgage plan only to post-petition payments unless otherwise ordered by the court;
 - (d) Refrain from assessing or adding any additional fees or charges to the loan obligation of the Debtor based solely on a pre-petition default;
 - (e) Refrain from assessing or adding any additional fees or charges to the loan obligation of the Debtor (including additional interest, escrow, and taxes) unless notice of such fees and charges has been timely filed pursuant to the applicable Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure and a proof of claim has been filed and has not been disallowed upon objection of the Chapter 13 trustee or the Debtor;
 - (f) To the extent that any post-confirmation fees or charges are allowed pursuant to the applicable Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure and are added to the plan, to apply only payments received from the Chapter 13 trustee that are designated as payment of such fees and charges only to such fees and charges; and
 - (g) To the extent that any post-confirmation fees or charges are allowed pursuant to the applicable Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure and are NOT added to the plan, to apply only payments received directly from the Debtor and designated as payments of such fees and charges only to such fees and charges.
- 8.1.9 If the periodic Conduit Mortgage Payment changes due to either changed escrow requirements or a change in a variable interest rate, or if any post-petition fees or expenses are added to the plan, and an increase in the plan payment is required as a result, the Debtor shall thereafter make such increased plan payment as is necessary. Provided, however, that the Conduit Creditor shall have complied with the requirements of the applicable Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure for the allowance of such Conduit Mortgage Payment change or addition of such fees and expenses. The Chapter 13 trustee shall file notice of the required plan payment increase with the court and serve a copy of the notice on the Debtor. Service of the notice shall be made on the attorney for the Debtor through CM/ECF
- 8.1.10 All contractual provisions regarding arbitration or alternative dispute resolution are rejected in connection with the administration of this Chapter 13 case.
- 8.1.11 Standing Stay Modification: The automatic stay provided in 11 U.S.C. § 362(a) is modified in Chapter 13 cases to permit affected secured creditors to contact the Debtor about the status of insurance coverage on property used as collateral and, if there are direct payments being made to creditors, to allow affected secured creditors to contact the Debtor in writing about any direct payment default and to require affected secured creditors to send statements, payment coupons, or other correspondence to the Debtor that the creditor sends to its non-bankruptcy-debtor customers. Such actions do not constitute violations of § 362(a).
- 8.1.12 Proposed Order of Distribution: Unless otherwise specifically ordered by the court, Chapter 13 trustee payments to creditors will be disbursed in the following order of priority:
- (a) Administrative, including administrative priority, and secured claims to be paid in full; then,
 - (b) Pre-petition priority unsecured claims to be paid in full; then,
 - (c) Nonpriority unsecured claims.
- Note: The base fee for the attorney for the Debtor will be paid pursuant to the procedure established in Local Rule 2016-2.
- 8.1.13 Any creditor's failure to object to confirmation of the proposed plan shall constitute the creditor's acceptance of the treatment of its claim(s) as proposed in the plan.

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- 8.1.14 The Chapter 13 plan must pay claimants for a minimum of 3 years and a maximum of 5 years, unless claimants are paid in full (100% of claims) or unless otherwise ordered by the court.
- 8.1.15 If the Debtor is seeking a mortgage modification through the Loan Modification Management Program ("LMM Program"), the Debtor has filed or will file, within the first twelve months following the filing of this case, a Motion for Loan Modification Management (LMM Form 1). Pursuant to the LMM Program, mortgage creditors have twenty-one days from service of such motion to object to participation. During the pendency of the LMM Program, the mortgage creditor shall be entitled to adequate protection payments paid or held in reserve on account of its claim in the amount equal to 80% of the contractual principal and interest payment plus one-twelfth of the annual escrow amounts for property taxes and insurance (including mortgage insurance, if applicable).
- 8.1.16 For claims treated under Parts 3.2 and 3.3 of the plan, if the creditor had established an escrow account for taxes and/or insurance prior to the petition date, the creditor may continue to treat the account as escrowed and give notice of any escrow advances through the filing of a Notice of Postpetition Fees, Expenses, and Charges (despite the technical inapplicability of Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3002.1). This treatment shall be presumed unless otherwise stated in the plan or unless the creditor provides notice in writing to the Debtor, the Debtor's attorney, and the Chapter 13 trustee.
- 8.1.17 Other Non-Standard Provisions, including Special Terms:

Part 9: Signatures:

9.1 Signatures of Debtor and Debtor's Attorney

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this Chapter 13 plan is true and correct as to all matters set forth herein.

X /s/ Matthew J. Lawrence X _____
Matthew J. Lawrence Signature of Debtor 2
Signature of Debtor 1

Executed on 1/23/2024 Executed on _____

I hereby certify that I have reviewed this document with the Debtor and that the Debtor has received a copy of this document.

X /s/ Edward Hay Date 1/23/2024
Edward Hay 7149
Signature of Attorney for Debtor

Although this is the local plan for the Western District of North Carolina that includes nonstandard provisions as noted in the plan, the Debtor and the Debtor's attorney certify by filing this document that the wording and order of the provisions in this Chapter 13 plan are substantially similar to those contained in Official Form B 113.